

TOWN OF NEWINGTON

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Parks & Recreation Department

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Summer Sunshine Program Information

Welcome to the Newington Parks and Recreation Summer Sunshine Program! We hope this information will answer any questions that you may have.

Location

The Summer Sunshine Program is held at our Preschool location: 1075 Main Street (Lower Level). The children are bussed to the Mill Pond Park Wading Pool daily at 12:45 p.m. Pick-up is at 2:00 p.m. at Mill Pond Park Pool. In case of inclement weather, we will not go to the pool and pick-up will be at the classroom at 2:00 p.m. When the Summer Sunshine program does not go to the pool due to inclement weather, the Parks and Recreation Program Information Hotline (860-665-8686) will be updated after 1:00 p.m. This hotline will only be updated when we are NOT visiting the pool and pick-up will be at the classroom.

Backpacks & Belongings

Please label all backpacks and lunch boxes with your child's name. Remember that your child has to carry their belongings onto the bus that takes the children to the pool, so lighter is better. You can bring a towel when you pick your child up, or you can pack a towel in your child's backpack.

Lunches & Snacks

We are a nut-free facility. Peanut butter and nuts of any kind are not permitted in the facility. Please pack a healthy lunch for your child and include two juice boxes or water bottles.

Food Allergies & Medication Administration

If your child has any food allergies or medical conditions which require an epi-pen or emergency medication during program hours, you must fill out an *Authorization for the Administration of Medication by Summer Sunshine*Staff form. This form must be completed, signed by the child's physician and submitted to the Parks and Recreation office at the time of registration and at least two weeks prior to the child's first day attending the program. This two week period will give us time to ensure that each staff member has an opportunity to review each child's file and medication instructions.

Supervised Swim Time at Mill Pond Park Wading Pool

Children will participate in supervised swim time in the wading pool daily, except during inclement weather. All wading pool activities and swim times are supervised by a certified lifeguard and the Summer Sunshine staff. Our wading pool time is scheduled from 1-2 p.m. Children must wear their bathing suits every day regardless of the weather. Two piece bathing suits are recommended for girls for ease and independence in the bathrooms. You must apply sunscreen before you drop off your child.

Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Please sign in every day upon dropping off your child and provide a cell phone number where you can be reached. If someone other than you is going to pick up your child, please make a note of that on the sign-in sheet. We will not release your child to any unauthorized person. Photo identification will be required at pick-up. The *Summer Sunshine Registration Form* must be filled out completely, including at least three people authorized to pick up your child. This form must be returned to the Parks and Recreation office at least two weeks prior to the start of the program. An additional fee may be assessed for any child who is repeatedly picked up late at the end of the day.

Toilet Training

All participants must be toilet-trained. Children may not attend camp wearing pull-ups or diapers.

Questions

If you have any questions, please call the Parks and Recreation office at 860-665-8666 or the Preschool Classroom at 860-665-0114.